IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

DAVID HAMILTON,

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No. 2:20-cv-150

v.

Hon. William S. Stickman IV

STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION, LLC,

Defendant.

ORDER SCHEDULING INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

This order sets forth the date and time for the Telephonic Initial Case Management

Conference as well as the dates for compliance with three requirements in preparation.

The Telephonic Initial Case Management Conference pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16 and Local Civil Rule 16.1 is hereby set for <u>December 1, 2020 at 10:00 a.m</u>. It is not required at lead counsel for the parties attend, nor is it required that any named party attend. However, counsel shall obtain full settlement authority prior to the conference and must be prepared to discuss settlement of the case and alternative dispute resolution options in detail. All pending motions are subject to argument and disposition at the conference. Clients and insurance carrier representatives must be available by telephone.

Aside from initial disclosures, *see* Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1)(A), no formal written discovery may be served prior to the Initial Case Management Conference, absent leave of court.

Counsel of record and all unrepresented parties are jointly responsible to ensure completion of the following three requirements in preparation:

1. By <u>November 12, 2020</u>, counsel of record for the parties and all unrepresented parties must confer either in person, over the phone, or by videoconference to

"consider the nature and basis of their claims and defenses and the possibilities for promptly settling or resolving the case; make or arrange for the disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(1); discuss any issues about preserving discoverable information; and develop a proposed discovery plan." Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f)(2).

- 2. By <u>November 19, 2020</u>, the parties must jointly file a Rule 26(f) Report in the format set forth in Appendix 16.1.A to the Local Civil Rules.
- 3. By <u>November 19, 2020</u>, the parties must jointly file a stipulation selecting an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process using the fillable form available from the Court's website at

https://www.pawd.uscourts.gov/sites/pawd/files/ADRSTIP-APRIL2017-w.pdf

BY THE COURT:

October 20, 2020

Date

/s/ William S. Stickman IV WILLIAM S. STICKMAN IV UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE